

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**FILING UNDER 37 CFR §1.312  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2871**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of

ATTN: OFFICE OF PUBLICATIONS

Tsuyoshi KANEKO

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Application No.: 10/814,136

Group Art Unit: 2871

Filed: April 1, 2004

Examiner: T. RUDE

Docket No.: 119105

For: CONNECTION STRUCTURE BETWEEN OPTICAL FIBERS AND CONNECTION  
METHOD FOR COUPLING THE SAME

**AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.312**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the December 13, 2006 Notice of Allowance, please consider the  
following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and

**Remarks.**